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## THE CITY.

## THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER ON THE RAMPAGE.

## Great Rise of Water and inundation.

## Sudden Fall of Water and Land Slide.

During night before last, the Mississippi river began to rise rapidly, and continued its upward progress until about 9 o'clock, when it marked about four feet higher than on the evening previous. At 10 o'clock in the morning, the ice above the bridge began to move, and nearly all that had been gorged above the bridge was disengaged. What remained broke loose to the forenoon, and during the day, the river was clear.

The sudden and extensive rise in the river, which was doubtless caused by a gorging of the river, produced considerable inconvenience to the business along the levee below the bank. In the classical region known as "Dublin" in the First Ward, the population was routed out completely, and the stampede was witnessed by many lookers on. The water came up so rapidly as to astonish those who were familiar with similar visitations in the same locality. The tumult of the Dubliners, as they struck through a couple of feet of water for the highlands, was both painful and comic. It was said to see the humble dwellers of the cottages by the river driven from their homes, but it amused many a looker-on as men, women, children, chickens, pigs and cows, started precipitously to cross the deep to ground.

Between 9 and 10 o'clock the gorge below probably giving way, the river commenced to fall, and in about an hour it receded two and a half feet. This rapid rise and fall is something new in the history of the Mississippi river, and created quite a sensation.

Among the consequences of this freak in the river, about one hundred feet of embankment on the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, opposite the elevator, together with one of the side tracks, caved in on the upper side.

The cars on the Pacific road stopped at the outer depot yesterday.

The steamer Jeannette Roberts was left by the falling waters with her stern high up on shore, and it required several hours' labor with jack screws, to jerk her out.

Our neighbors over the river were as usual, submerged, and many of them came across the river to the city.

## STEAMER NORTHERN LIGHT SUNK.

## No Lives Lost.

The following dispatch was received in this city yesterday:

LA CROIX, April 11. The steamer Northern Light was sunk this morning by ice on the Mississippi river, 14 miles from this place. No lives lost.

The Northern Light belonged to the Northwestern line of steamers, running between Saint Paul and Dubuque, and was the largest and finest vessel on the Upper Mississippi.

## MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE ST. PAUL BRIDGE COMPANY.

## Opposition to the Proposed Action of the City Council.

A special meeting of the stockholders and directors of the St. Paul Bridge Company took place at the Capitol yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of considering the proposed foreclosure of the mortgage held by the city upon the bridge.

Gov. Marshall, the President, called the meeting to order.

Col. D. A. Robertson, upon request, gave a brief review of the origin and history of the St. Paul Bridge.

Many years ago, it was thought advisable to erect such a structure across the river as this city. Numbers of our citizens subscribed for the stock, and the President took an active interest in it, and it met with general favor. The first plan was to make it a profitable business enterprise; to build a bridge that would pay, the same as any other improvement. Upon inquiry they found they could build a bridge for thirty-five or forty thousand dollars. Stock was at once subscribed to the amount of about \$50,000, to build what was known as a low bridge, with a turntable, to admit of the free navigation of the river, and no obstruction whatever was to be placed in the way of steamers. But the City Council raised a man of influence—opposed it with the utmost vehemence, and finally got the Council to oppose the construction of the bridge; an injunction was to be issued to prohibit it, and those who raised the clamor insisted upon having a high bridge, costing about three times as much as the low one.

The stockholders then agreed to build a high bridge, and the work was commenced. But it was not long before the Council raised another clamor against the high bridge, alleging that it would interfere with the navigation of the steamers, and continued that opposition; those who had subscribed the company had to fight the city, incurring expense, and finally beat the city. They then expected to complete the bridge, but the city had again changed its mind, and a law was drafted on the model of the old English common law of mortmain, that the property should not be taken, but simply the revenues. This was satisfactory to both the council and the company.

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pany. In case we failed to meet the bonds, the revenues only were to be used by the city. The city has no power to sell out that bridge, at least until the bonds become due.

We went on and finished the bridge, though to do so we had to sell the city bonds at a loss. But as soon as we found that we could not pay the interest, the honorable men, though we could have bought the city for years, we promptly surrendered it to the city. The Council here animated in pretty strong terms upon the Shylockian spirit displayed by the city, in not only taking all the revenues, but actually trying to get possession of the stock which belonged to those who invested their money in it in good faith.

The legal points of the question were touched upon, and many violations of the law by the city authorities alluded to. Col. Robertson thought their stock was worth something. The stockholders had never forfeited their franchises, the Bridge Company had preserved its existence, with a prospect of thirty years more of life. The franchise was worth to them \$50,000 to-day.

The city offered to pay the stockholders 20 per cent. on their stock, if they would surrender it. Their money had been invested in good faith; they had built the bridge, and it had been a valuable benefit to the city, and it was the right equity that they should at least be refunded what they had invested.

The Colonel made a clear, strong, all-argumentative statement, to which it is impossible to do justice in a brief report. Gov. Marshall also made a few denigratory remarks upon the local cause which drove them from their homes, but it amused many a looker-on as men, women, children, chickens, pigs and cows, started precipitously to cross the deep to ground.

Between 9 and 10 o'clock the gorge below probably giving way, the river commenced to fall, and in about an hour it receded two and a half feet. This rapid rise and fall is something new in the history of the Mississippi river, and created quite a sensation.

Among the consequences of this freak in the river, about one hundred feet of embankment on the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, opposite the elevator, together with one of the side tracks, caved in on the upper side.

The cars on the Pacific road stopped at the outer depot yesterday.

The steamer Jeannette Roberts was left by the falling waters with her stern high up on shore, and it required several hours' labor with jack screws, to jerk her out.

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**The City Officers.**—The City Treasurer's office, and also the Controller's, for the present, for the City Hall, up stairs. A room, it is understood, will be fitted up on the first floor for the City Surveyor.

The new City Justice assigned the functions of the city justice, but instead of consequence, were on hand for adjudication. One individual was fined five dollars and costs for an assault and battery.

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